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CONGRESSIONAL PROCEEDINGS.

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WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 1870.

SENATE.

On motion of Mr. Pomeroy, the President was requested to communicate any information relative to the action of any of the Departments concerning the claim of the Central Branch Union Pacific railroad for lands or bonds on account of the extension of their road.

Mr. Ferry called up his order directing the Judiciary Committee to ascertain whether the Legislature of Georgia, as at present constituted, is a legal body, which was passed.

On motion of Mr. Sherman, the funding bill was made the special order for Tuesday next.

On motion of Mr. Sherman, the Attorney General was directed to inform the Senate of any claim set up by the late postmaster at Augusta, Georgia, for compensation during his suspension from office, and whether said postmaster was really eligible to said office.

Mr. Morton called up his bill, making it a misdemeanor to fit out and equip ships-of-war, or to sell or furnish arms or munitions of war with intent that they shall be employed in the service of any foreign power or State, to commit hostilities against the people of any province, district, or colony, who are in a State of armed insurrection against such foreign province or State, and providing for the forfeiture of such ship or vessel.

Mr. Morton stated that he proposed in his remarks on this bill to address himself particularly to the case of Cuba. He held, that, where any remote province of any Government, and not an integral part of the empire, was capable of maintaining itself, and had no voice in the control of affairs, it had the perfect right to sever its connection with the mother country. If an insurrection should break out in Caledonia, the Spanish Government would have the right to subdue, as essential to self-preservation, just as in the case of the rebellion of our Southern States. The colonies of Spain had never been treated as integral parts of the empire; they were allowed no share in the Government; they were reigned over by military despots sent from Spain, from whose rulings there was no appeal.

This was the case of Cuba; it was folly for the Spanish Government to claim Cuba as an integral part of the empire. He would not now discuss whether the insurrection in Cuba had attained to such proportions as to entitle it to recognition as belligerents, but it was certain that the whole force of the Spanish army and navy had as yet made but little progress against the insurgents. As it now stands we are the allies of Spain; our citizens furnish Spain with gun-boats and arms, but any attempt to do the same for the Cubans is strictly stopped and punished. We should tell Spain that we cannot help her in this struggle. Consider how bloody and revolting is the war carried on by Spain, without any regard to the dictates of humanity. Here are our neighbors and friends in Cuba, 1,200,000 of them allied to us by ties of sympathy and business—there they are governed by a Viceroy, whose only object is to plunder them—executed and transported without trial.

Not one word of sympathy or encouragement have we vouchsafed to the struggling Cubans. We have never treated any other people as we have treated her. Cuba belongs to this country. She comes as closely within the Monroe doctrine as if she was a part of the main land, and we should not assist, directly or indirectly, any claim of a foreign Government to hold an American colony. If Spain claims the right of nations to draw her supplies from us, we should reply that this was an American question; any other course is a departure from the Monroe doctrine. Morally we have a perfect right to assist Cuba by arms; but as it is better that we should avoid entangling alliances, we should aid Spain in not the slightest degree, however.

When Mr. Morton concluded, the bill was referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

Mr. Anthony took the floor in reference to the bill lately introduced by him to reform the public printing and abolish the gratuitous distributions of books by the Government. He said the printing of Congress had of late years diminished, while that of the departments had increased. The Congressional printing last year cost $569,480, much of which was for documents supplied to the departments. The departmental printing cost $676,045. The whole system of printing documents for gratuitous distribution should be abandoned, as the newspapers now gave them to the people.

Mr. Anthony spoke against the practice of publishing the laws and government advertisements in papers of limited circulation. He advocated his bill, asserting that it would save hundreds of thousands of dollars annually, and will relieve the Post Office Department of a great burden. It should especially be done now when economy is so desirable.

The bill of Mr. Anthony was then referred to the Committee on Printing.

The census bill came up as unfinished business.

Mr. Patterson spoke of the vast resources of the country, its increase of population, and the various interests of which statistics should be obtained. He compared the relative merits of the schedules of Mr. Sumner and as proposed by the House bill.

The pending question was announced as on the amendment of Mr. Morrill, of Vt., providing for the obtaining of statistics of petroleum, sorghum, molasses, grapes, wine, cocoon silk, wages of labor, libraries, telegraphs, railroads, fisheries and area of timber lands, provided that the Secretary of the Interior shall have power to increase the compensation of assistants of subdivisions not exceeding the sum of $5 per diem in any case where, in his judgment, it may be proper and necessary.

Mr. Hamlin suggested that statistics of ice be also included in the schedule, which Mr. Morrill accepted, and incorporated in his amendment.

Mr. Bayard declared in favor of the old system, and replied to the arguments of Mr. Sumner, asserting that his calculations were in error.

Mr. Morrill, of Vt., understood that some of the articles in his amendment were already included in the schedules of 1850. He would therefore modify his amendment, and omit wages of labor, grape and cocoon. He declined to add fruits, and to include both private and public libraries in the enumeration, and also to allow the Secretary of the Interior to include such other articles as are, in his judgment, proper to be included.

Mr. Sumner reiterated his statements of yesterday relative to the compensation of the enumerators under the old system, arguing that their pay would not average more than $1.90 per day.

Mr. Conkling again took issue with the figures of Mr. Sumner. He said his conclusions were absurd for any same man to reach. He asserted that the statements of Dr. Hough and others were errors, not mistakes. The Senator [Mr. Sumner] had accused him of not understanding the House bill, when the Senator's own remarks proved that he had not examined it himself. Mr. C. further commented upon the position of Mr. Sumner. Mr. C. said it nothing more was done, the census would proceed under the old act, and he should therefore move to lay the House bill and the substitute on the table.

The motion was agreed to—ayes 46 nays 9: Messrs. Cragin, Morrill of Vermont, Nye, Patterson, Pratt, Sherman, Sumner, Warner, and Wilson.

Mr. Chandler introduced a bill to promote commerce among the States and to reopen the transportation of naval and military stores. Referred to the Committee on Commerce.

The Senate then (at 5:10 o'clock, p. m.) adjourned.

The bill of Mr. Chandler is the bill introduced by Mr. Sherman in June, 1868. It provides for railroads from Washington to New York, Cincinnati, and Pittsburg.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Mr. Buffinton, of Mass., presented resolutions of the Legislature of Massachusetts in relation to the duty on coal. Referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

The House resumed the consideration of the Foster-Covode contested-election case from the Twenty-first district of Pennsylvania, and Mr. Randall, of Pa., concluded his remarks on behalf of Mr. Foster's right to the seat.

Mr. Burr, of Ill., followed Mr. Randall on the same side.

Mr. Stiles, of Pa., also spoke for Mr. Foster; and at the conclusion of his remarks Mr. Churchill, who has charge of the bill, demanded the previous question, which was seconded, and he then yielded the hour allowed him first to Mr. Cessna, who spoke for Mr. Covode and the report of the committee.

After further remarks by Messrs. Poland, Randall, Paine and others,

Mr. Stiles, of Pa., moved to reconsider the vote by which the main question was ordered.

The motion was rejected.

The question was then taken on the amendment to the resolution reported by the majority of the committee declaring Mr. Foster entitled to the seat. This was rejected—yeas 50, nays 123.

The resolution of the committee declaring Mr. Covode elected and entitled to the seat, was then agreed to—yeas 116, nays 45.

Mr. Covode then advanced to the Speaker's desk and took the oath of office.

Mr. Julian of Ind., from the Committee on Public Lands, reported a bill for the relief of settlers on public lands in Iowa. Passed.

Mr. Lawrence, of Ohio, from the Committee on Reconstruction, reported a bill to enforce amendments to the Constitution of the United States. Ordered to be printed and recommitted.

A notice was read from the Clerk's desk, announcing that a train would leave for Richmond to-morrow morning, to carry members and others who had accepted invitations to Richmond. It was also announced that those who had not received invitations for this visit would shortly receive invitations for another visit that was to follow.

Mr. Cox, of N. Y., asked leave to offer a resolution calling upon the Secretary of the Navy to furnish the House a statement of the unexpended balance of each appropriation for the Navy Department and bureaus thereof, on March 1, 1869, and the balance on hand on the first day of each month till February, 1870.

Mr. Kelsey, of N. Y., objected.

Mr. Cake, of Pennsylvania, introduced a joint resolution for the relief of James B. Bishop. Referred to Committee on Naval Affairs.

On motion of Mr. Dawes, of Massachusetts, the House resolved itself into Committee of the Whole, Mr. Cessna, of Pennsylvania, in the chair, and proceeded with the consideration of the executive, legislative, and judicial appropriation bill.

The bill was read by paragraphs.

Mr. Dawes moved to amend by making the pay of the sergeant-at-arms and doorkeeper $4,320, and providing that these officers shall have no other fees, emoluments, or compensation.

Mr. Dawes said a good deal of scandal had been connected with these offices, and vast amounts of money had been made. He thought it best to abolish all fees and fix a definite salary, making that of the sergeant-at-arms and doorkeeper the same as that of the secretary of the Senate, and the same amendment would be offered as to the same officers in the House. As an evidence of the amount realized from fees, Mr. Dawes stated that the sergeant-at-arms of the Senate boasted that he had made $25 a day in the matter of carriages and horses alone. He did not think any officer should receive such fees, but should have a fixed salary.

The amendment was agreed to.

This increased the whole amount appropriated for compensation of officers and clerks of the Senate to the sum of $99,880, and the section was amended to meet the increase.

On motion of Mr. Dawes, the appropriation for packing boxes was reduced ten dollars.

On motion of Mr. Coburn, of Ind., the appropriation for miscellaneous items, exclusive of labor, for the Senate was reduced from $30,000 to $10,000.

Mr. Davis, of N. Y., moved to strike out the appropriation of $4,000 for additional compensation to the reporters of the Senate for the *Congressional Globe*. He made this motion, he said, because he believed it was the temper of the House to reduce expenses by discontinuing the publication of the *Globe*.

Mr. Dawes suggested that when the *Globe* was abolished, it would be time to strike out this appropriation, but so long as we had the *Globe* the reporters should be paid.

The amendment was rejected.

Mr. Negley, of Pa., moved to amend the paragraph relating to the Capitol police by increasing the compensation for these officers from the amount appropriated in the bill to $1,000. He said this was the amount allowed last year, and he was opposed to commencing economy just at this point.

Mr. Dawes opposed the amendment. He did not think the increase was necessary. It was increasing the pay of these officers one third more than that of the Metropolitan police, while the latter were exposed to all the changes of the weather, and were compelled to be out of doors, and the latter were exposed to nothing, but were comfortably housed in the building day and night.

After further discussion, and without action on the amendment, the committee rose.

Mr. Bingham, of Ohio, moved that when the House adjourn to-day it be until Saturday to allow members to visit Richmond.

The motion was disagreed to—yeas 51, nays 91.

Mr. Banks, of Mass., asked and obtained leave to offer a resolution calling upon the President, if not incompatible with the public interests, for information in possession of the Government in relation to the attack upon American citizens in Havana. The resolution was agreed to.

Mr. Banks stated that the Secretary of State had sent to the Consul General at Havana for all information upon the subject in his possession.

The House then, at 5:05 p. m., adjourned.

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THE COURTS.

CIRCUIT COURT.—*Judge Cartter.*—This court was engaged as follows yesterday:

Evening Star Company vs. Wheeler & Bassett. Leave granted defendant to file affidavit, and case ordered to be set down for trial.

Irwin vs. Hilton. Motion for new trial overruled.

De Barry vs. Esburg. The defendant had filed a plea in this case, but had not filed with it an affidavit that he had good cause of defence. As the action arose on contract Mr. McPherson moved to strike out the plea, which was ordered to be done.

Moale vs. Hawkins. At the suggestion of Mr. Charles A. Harmon this case was passed for settlement.

Holthaus & Co. vs. Levy. Assumpsit for $156.08 for glass sold and delivered and money found due on account. Defence plead that only thirty-one boxes of glass were delivered, whereas one hundred were contracted. Verdict for plaintiff in $156.08.

Keaney vs. Foley. Assumpsit for $141.75 on promissory note dated June 8, 1868; defence, a plea of never indebted.

Mr. Thompson moved to non-suit the plaintiff because the defendant had taken the benefit of the bankrupt law.

Judge Cartter said that the record showed nothing of the bankruptcy of the defendant, and the court could not act on statements *ollenda*. The motion must be overruled.

Mr. Thompson filed exceptions.

The jury found for the plaintiff for the whole amount claimed.

J. W. Welch vs. Michael Foley. Assumpsit on bill of exchange for $978.50.

Mr. Thompson asked leave to file a plea of bankruptcy; which the court overruled.

Mr. Thompson excepted.

The verdict was for the plaintiff in the full amount claimed.

Both the cases will go up to the general term.

S. Stott vs. J. D. Fowler. Assumpsit for $118.83 for balance of house rent due the plaintiff by the defendant.

No defence and verdict for the entire amount claimed.

Dick vs. Visser. Action of replevin to recover possession of certain personal property, (household furniture,) on which the plaintiff held a deed of trust. No defence. Verdict for the plaintiff, giving possession of the property claimed, with nominal damages.

At 11:30 o'clock, there being no other assigned cases for the jury, the jurors were discharged until this morning.

CASES TO-DAY.

The following cases were assigned for trial to-day: Nos. 100, 101, 81, 50, 194, 193, 266, 309, 235, 280, 281, 292, 114, 115 and 95.

Adjourned.

EQUITY COURT.—*Judge Wylie.*—This court made the following orders yesterday:

Alexandria and Washington Railroad Company vs. Washington, Alexandria and Georgetown Railroad Company. No answer having been filed in this case, a decree was made taking the bill for confessed.

In the matter of the bankruptcy of Coyle & Towers. Order confirming a sale of certain of bankrupts' property to A. J. Mudd.

Edwards vs. Johnson. Order fixing February 14 for hearing motion to vacate decree *pro confesso*.

Levi vs. Levi. Order to issue notice for the hearing of an injunction to prevent the disposal of partnership property.

Turton vs. Wheeler. The defendant being a non-resident, notice of suit was ordered to be given him by advertisement.

Anna Jones vs. F. W. Jones. Order allowing defendant leave to withdraw letters and marriage certificate from file.

Oak Hill Company vs. W. H. King et al. Order to notify absent defendant by advertisement.

Corcoran vs. Douglas. Bill to enforce the payment of a sum of money. Argued and submitted.

Hardenheimer vs. Nailor. Demurrer sustained and bill dismissed.

The following cases were continued: Johnson vs. McLeod et al; McCarty vs. Cogle; Miller vs. New Mexico Mining Company; Smith et al. vs. Smith et al; Foster vs. Foster, and Hawkins vs. Hawkins.

Hoover vs. Barth et al. This is a bill to enjoin the sale of leasehold estate. The case was argued, and the court took the papers and held the case under advisement.

CASES FOR MONDAY—PRIZE CASES.

The court fixed the following cases for a hearing on Monday next: Jo vs. Bounty claims of Admiral Farragut and officers and men of Western Gulf Squadron. This is a bill for compensation (in lieu of prize money) for the destruction of certain rebel vessels in Mobile harbor, and below New Orleans.

Farragut vs. Ship Metropolis. This is a case similar in character.

Lane vs. Gibbons was also assigned for the same day.

The court then adjourned until Monday next.

SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES—*Wednesday, February 9, 1870.*—On motion of Hon. L. P. Poland, L. E. Chittenden, esq., of New York, was admitted to practice as an attorney and counsellor of this Court.

No. 2. Jeremiah Carhart et al., appellants, vs. Charles Austin. Appeal from the Circuit Court of the United States for the district of New Hampshire. On motion of Mr. Carlisle in behalf of counsel, ordered by the Court that the appeal be dismissed, each party paying their own costs.

No. 369. The United States, appellants, vs. Morris Kohn;

No. 370. The United States, appellants, vs. Henry Grossmayer;

No. 390. The United States, appellants, vs. Huldah L. Stanton, testatrix, &c.

The argument of these causes was continued by Mr. Hale, special counsel for the appellants, and by Mr. Taylor and Mr. Wills, of counsel for the appellees, and by Mr. Attorney General Hoar, for the appellants.

Adjourned until to-morrow at eleven o'clock.

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HEADQUARTERS OF THE ARMY, ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE, WASHINGTON, February 7, 1870.

General Orders, No. 9.

Under instructions from the President of the United States, the following assignments are made of officers of the general staff:

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT.

Lieutenant Colonel and Brevet Brigadier General J. C. Kelton, to be relieved from duty in the Adjutant General's office, and to be ordered to report to the general commanding the Division of the Pacific, on the completion of the special orders under which he is now acting.

Lieutenant Colonel and Brevet Brigadier General Robert Williams, to be relieved from duty in the Adjutant General's office on April 1, and then to report for duty to the general commanding the Department of Virginia.

Major and Brevet Major General William D. Whipple, to be relieved on the arrival of Brevet Brigadier General Kelton at the headquarters of the Division of the Pacific, and to report in person for duty in the Adjutant General's office at Washington.

Major and Brevet Brigadier General Samuel Breck, to be relieved from duty in the Adjutant General's office, and report on or before July 1, to the general commanding the Department of the Missouri for duty.

Major and Brevet Lieutenant Colonel George E. Leet, to report in person, without delay, to the general commanding the Department of the Cumberland for duty.

Major and Brevet Lieutenant Colonel James P. Martin, to be relieved on the arrival of Brevet Lieutenant Colonel Leet at the headquarters of the Department of the Cumberland, and report in person for duty in the Adjutant General's office at Washington.

BUREAU OF MILITARY JUSTICE.

Major Thomas F. Barr, Judge Advocate, to be relieved from duty in the Bureau April 1, and then to report in person to the general commanding the Department of the East.

Major H. P. Curtis, Judge Advocate, to be relieved from duty in the Bureau April 1, and then report in person to the general commanding the Department of the Platte.

Major D. G. Swain, Judge Advocate, to report in person, April 1, to the general commanding the Department of the Missouri.

QUARTERMASTER GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT.

Colonel and Brevet Major General Robert Allen, assistant quartermaster general, to be relieved from duty in the Division of the Pacific, and to report in person for duty in the Quartermaster General's office.

Lieutenant Colonel and Brevet Brigadier General M. S. Miller, deputy quartermaster general, to be relieved from duty in the Fifth Military district, and report in person to the general commanding the Department of the Lakes for duty at Detroit.

Lieutenant Colonel and Brevet Brigadier General J. C. McFerran, deputy quartermaster general, to be relieved from duty in Washington by April 1, and to report for duty to the general commanding the Division of the South.

Lieutenant Colonel and Brevet Major General R. O. Tyler, deputy quartermaster general, to be relieved from duty in the Division of the Missouri by April 1, and then report in person for duty to the general commanding the Division of the Pacific, to relieve Brevet Major General Allen.

Lieutenant Colonel and Brevet Brigadier General J. A. Ekin, deputy quartermaster general, to be relieved from duty in the Quartermaster General's office April 1, and then to report in person to the general commanding the fifth military district for duty in Texas.

Major and Brevet Brigadier General Tredwell Moore, quartermaster, to report in person to the general commanding the Department of the East for assignment to a post.

Major and Brevet Brigadier General J. D. Bingham, quartermaster, to be relieved from duty in the Department of the Lakes by April 1, and then to report in person to the Quartermaster General for duty.

Major and Brevet Brigadier General A. J. Perry, quartermaster, to be relieved from duty in the Quartermaster General's office, April 1, and then to report in person to the general commanding the Department of the Platte for duty.

Major and Brevet Brigadier General J. J. Dana, quartermaster, to be relieved from duty in the Quartermaster General's office on or before July 1, and then to report to the general commanding the Department of the Lakes for assignment.

Major and Brevet Lieutenant Colonel M. I. Ludington, quartermaster, to be relieved from duty in the Department of the Missouri, temporarily, by Captain G. W. Bradley, April 1, and then to report in person to the Quartermaster General for duty.

Captain and Brevet Brigadier General Wm. Myers, assistant quartermaster, to be relieved from duty in the Department of the Lakes, by April 1, and then to report in person to the Quartermaster General for duty.

Captain Daniel G. Thomas, military storekeeper, to be relieved from duty in Washington on or before July 1, and then to report to the general commanding the Department of Dakota for assignment.

SUBSISTENCE DEPARTMENT.

Colonel and Brevet Brigadier General C. L. Kilburn, assistant commissary general of subsistence, to be transferred from New York to Philadelphia, the headquarters of the Military Division of the Atlantic; to be relieved as chief commissary of the Department of the East by Major and Brevet Brigadier General W. W. Burns, commissary of subsistence, who will accordingly report to the department commander for duty therewith.

Major and Brevet Colonel Beekman DuBarry, commissary of subsistence, to be relieved from duty in the Commissary General's office on the arrival of Brevet Major McClure, and then to report in person to the general commanding the Department of the Missouri for assignment.

Major and Brevet Brigadier General Geo. Bell, commissary of subsistence, to break up the subsistence depot in Washington on or before July 1, and then to report in person to the general commanding the Department of Virginia for assignment.

Captain and Brevet Major William H. Nash, commissary of subsistence, to break up the subsistence depot at Cincinnati, Ohio, on or before April 30, and then to report in person to the general commanding the Department of the Missouri, to relieve Captain and Brevet Major Charles McClure, commissary of subsistence, in New Mexico. Brevet Major McClure then to report in person for duty to the Commissary General of Subsistence in Washington.

Brevet Brigadier General R. O. Beckwith, major, 3d artillery, will be relieved from duty in the office of the Commissary General on or before July 1, and proceed to join his regiment.

MEDICAL DEPARTMENT.

Lieutenant Colonel and Brevet Colonel Charles Sutherland, assistant medical purveyor, to be relieved from duty in Washington on or before July 1, and then to proceed to New Orleans and take charge of the medical purveying depot there.

Surgeon B. Norris, brevet colonel, to be relieved from duty as attending surgeon in Washington, April 1, and report to the general commanding the Department of Dakota for assignment.

Surgeon C. C. Gray, brevet lieutenant colonel, to be relieved from duty in the Department of Dakota, and report April 1 to relieve Surgeon Norris as attending surgeon in Washington.

Assistant Surgeon J. S. Billings, brevet lieutenant colonel, to be relieved from duty in the Surgeon General's office on or before July 1, and then report in person to the general commanding the Department of the Platte for assignment.

PAY DEPARTMENT.

Major and Brevet Lieutenant Colonel J. B. M. Potter, to be relieved from duty in the city of Washington, and report in person to the general commanding the Department of the Missouri for duty in New Mexico.

Major Justus Steinberger, to be relieved from duty in the Department of the East April 1, and then report in person to the general commanding the Department of Dakota for duty.

Major Wm. S. Rochester, to be relieved from duty in New Mexico on or before June 15, and then to repair without delay to Washington to relieve Brevet Lieutenant Colonel Potter.

Major J. L. Hodge, to be relieved from duty in Washington on or before July 1, and then to report for duty to the general commanding the Department of Louisiana.

Major V. C. Hanna, to be relieved from duty in the Department of Dakota as soon after the arrival of Major Steinberger as practicable, and then to report in person to the general commanding the Department of the Lakes for duty.

Major Brantz Mayer, to be relieved from duty in the Department of the East, May 1, and then to report in person to the general commanding the Department of the Columbia for duty. The office of paymaster in Baltimore to be thereafter discontinued.

Major E. H. Brooke, to be relieved from duty in the Paymaster General's office on or before July 1, and then to report in person to the general commanding the Department of the Missouri for duty.

Major J. R. Mears, to be relieved from duty in the Department of the Columbia as soon as practicable after the arrival of Major Mayer, and then to report in person to the general commanding the Department of the Cumberland for duty.

CORPS OF ENGINEERS.

Brigadier and Brevet Major General A. A. Humphreys, chief of engineers, is assigned as a member of the Light-house Board, in place of Brigadier and Brevet Major General Delafield, retired, to take effect February 20.

Colonel and Brevet Major General J. G. Barnard, in addition to his present duties, is assigned to duty as a member of the Light-house Board, in place of Brevet Brigadier General Bache, retired, to take effect February 20.

Colonel J. N. Macomb, upon being relieved by Brevet Brigadier General Raynolds, to take station at Rock Island City, Ill., assuming charge of the duties now in the hands of Brevet Major General Warren, and unfinished at the time of his relief.

Lieutenant Colonel and Brevet Brigadier General I. C. Woodruff, to proceed to Philadelphia, Penn., and relieve Brevet Brigadier General Hartman Bache, retired, of his duties and responsibilities in connection with the 4th Light-house district, by February 20, and to become the engineer of that district.

Lieutenant Colonel and Brevet Colonel J. D. Kurtz, upon being relieved of the charge of the construction of defences of Baltimore, Md., and Washington, D. C., by Brevet Lieutenant Colonel Craighill, to proceed to Philadelphia, Penn., and relieve Lieutenant Colonel Stewart, in charge of the construction of defences of Philadelphia, and of the harbor and river improvements on Delaware river and bay.

Lieutenant Colonel and Brevet Brigadier General William F. Raynolds, upon being relieved from charge of the survey of the northern and northwestern lakes by Brevet Major General Warren, and of his present duties under the Light-house Board by Brevet Brigadier General Poe, to take station at St. Louis, Mo., and relieve Colonel Macomb of all his present duties.

Lieutenant Colonel C. S. Stewart, upon being relieved by Brevet Colonel Kurtz, to proceed to San Francisco, Cal., and take the duties now held by Major Elliot.

Major and Brevet Major General G. K. Warren, when he shall have completed certain maps and reports he is now preparing, and not later than April 1, to turn over his remaining duties temporarily to his senior assistant, Brevet Major Benyaard, then to proceed to Detroit, Mich., and relieve Brevet Brigadier General Raynolds, in charge of the survey of the northern and northwestern lakes.

Major and Brevet Lieutenant Colonel Wm. P. Craighill, to proceed to Old Point Comfort and relieve Brevet Brigadier General Brewerton (retired) of the construction of Forts Monroe and Wool, by February 20. In addition, Brevet Lieutenant Colonel Craighill will, as soon as relieved from his duties in the office of the chief of engineers, not later than April 1, relieve Brevet Colonel Kurtz of the charge of the construction of defences of Washington and Baltimore, and fix his office in Baltimore, Maryland.

Major and Brevet Colonel J. B. Wheeler, to turn over at once to Brevet Colonel Merrill his duties and responsibilities in connection with the harbor improvements of Chicago and Michigan City; to turn over his remaining duties to Captain Cuyler, who will receive them temporarily, and then to proceed to Washington, D. C., and report for duty in the office of the chief of engineers.

Major and Brevet Brigadier General O. M. Poe, on being relieved by Major Elliott, in his duties as engineer secretary of the Light-house Board, to proceed to Detroit, Michigan, and take charge of the engineer service of the Eleventh light-house district, and to relieve the officers in charge thereof of the works on river and harbor improvements on Lake Huron and the St. Mary's river.

Major and Brevet Colonel D. C. Houston, on May 1, to turn over his present duties to Captain Holgate, who will receive them temporarily; and then to proceed to Milwaukee and assume charge of the river and harbor works with which Brevet Colonel Wheeler is at present charged on Lakes Michigan and Superior, excepting the harbors of Chicago and Michigan City.

Major George H. Elliot, at once to turn over his present duties to Brevet Colonel Mendell, who will receive them temporarily; and then to proceed immediately to Washington, D. C., and report for duty as engineer secretary of the Light-house Board.

Major and Brevet Colonel William E. Merrill, in addition to his present duties, at once to relieve Brevet Colonel Wheeler, in charge of the improvement of the harbors of Chicago and Michigan City. Brevet Colonel Merrill's station to continue at Chicago, Ill.

Capt. and Brevet Major Wm. J. Twining, to proceed at once to Charleston, S. C., for duty under the Light-house Board, as engineer of the Sixth light-house district.

Captain and Brevet Major William R. King, when he has completed certain special duty upon which he is now engaged, not later than June 1, to proceed to Willet's Point, New York harbor, and report to Brevet Brigadier General Abbot for duty at that post with the battalion of engineers.

Captain and Brevet Major A. H. Burnham, on the arrival of Brevet Major King at Willet's Point, New York harbor, to proceed to Washington, D. C., and report for duty in the office of the Chief of Engineers.

Captain D. P. Heap, to proceed to St. Paul, Minn., and report to the general commanding the Department of Dakota for duty.

First Lieutenant A. M. Miller, to proceed, not later than April 1, to Milwaukee, Wis., and report for duty to the officer in charge of harbor improvements on Lakes Michigan and Superior.

First Lieutenant A. N. Lee, to proceed to Detroit, Mich., and report for duty to the officer in charge of the survey of the northern and northwestern lakes.

Colonel and Brevet Major General T. J. Cram, (retired,) to turn over, before February 20, to Major McFarland, who will receive them temporarily, the duties and responsibilities connected with all the works of improvement of rivers and harbors now in General Cram's charge.

By command of Gen. Sherman.

E. D. TOWNSEND,
Adjutant General.

MARRIED.

KELLOGG—EVANS.—At the church of the Epiphany, Tuesday evening, by the Rev. Dr. Harvey, Lieutenant Commander J. G. Kellogg, United States navy, and Miss Bettie, daughter of Alexander H. Evans, of Washington.

DIED.

AMES.—At Brooklyn, New York, on Monday, 7th inst., Mr. GEORGE CHRISTIAN AMES, of this city, aged 68 years.

ADAMS.—At Norwood, Montgomery county, Md., on Wednesday, May 5th, after a lingering sickness, Mrs. ELIZA H. ADAMS, wife of Thomas Adams, esq., and daughter of the late James P. Barry.

BRANAGAN.—On the 8th instant, Miss SARAH BRANAGAN, aged 21 years.

The funeral will take place from the residence of her father, No. 21 F street, at 3 o'clock this afternoon. The friends of the family are invited to attend.

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